

State Portal Steering Committee Recommendations

Recommendations adopted at the October 14, 2005, meeting:

Recommendation 1 (Governance & Architecture): The State should adopt a “federated” management and governance approach to the development and maintenance of the State’s Internet presence.

Recommendation 2 (Service Centers): With leadership provided by cross-agency working groups organized around a few high-level governmental functions, the State should develop and maintain one or more “Service Centers” (including a State-level “California Service Center”) that assist users in navigating quickly to desired government information and services.

Recommendation 3 (Shared Services): The State CIO should begin conversations with the State Portal Review Board and appropriate agencies to identify specific shared services that should be developed for the State’s web presence. The list of specific shared services should be brought back to the State Portal Steering Committee for its consideration and action.

Recommendation 4 (State Banner): The State CIO, with advice from the Portal Steering Committee, should adopt a new banner for State web pages that uses less space and facilitates co-branding with State agencies and departments.

Recommendation 5 (Transition Planning): Planning to transition away from the existing State Portal hardware and applications should begin immediately in anticipation of the federated, shared-services architecture recommended above. Current clients and agencies which rely upon that existing hardware and applications infrastructure should begin appropriate transition planning with the assistance of the Department of Technology Services.

The following three recommendations were adopted by the State Portal Review Board on December 9, 2005, and

Were adopted by the Portal Steering Committee at their January 13, 2006, meeting:

Recommendation 6 (SOA): the Portal Review Board hereby approves in concept the development of a “Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)” to govern the shared services components of the State’s Internet presence;

Recommendation 7 (SOA review process): the Portal Review Board hereby refers the Draft Service Oriented Architecture (November 30, 2005) developed by the State CIO’s Enterprise Architecture staff to the Enterprise Architecture Committee of the Information Technology Council for its review, comment and approval; and,

Recommendation 8 (SOA & Shared Services): the Portal Review Board hereby declares its intention to begin the process of identifying departments which are prepared to take on the development of shared services pursuant to a Service Oriented Architecture.